

HSA Update

The HSA held its first meeting of the year on Wednesday, October 5th. It was a GREAT success! We had over 20 families represented! Thank you to all those you who joined us! In the next week or so we will be posting the minutes of the meeting, however, we wanted to highlight a few key points:

- Monsignor Lawrence and Mrs. Becker are very pleased with how the school year is going so far!
- Our mum sale was very successful! We sold over a 150 mums and made a profit of \$2.00 on each mum. The proceeds of the sale will be divided and shared among our families who were directly hit by the flood, and the remainder will be the start of our field trip fund.
- Carol Brown, Deanna McKinnon and Abbey Mensch mentioned that the fundraising calendar has changed slightly due to the flooding. PLEASE help us all meet our fundraising goal which is over \$90,000!! Your time and energy volunteering is needed!
- The teachers and HSA would like to say thank you to all those who have made "The Teachers Wish List" a success. There are still several "wishes" that have not been granted. If you can help make the "wishes" come true for the following teachers it would be greatly appreciated!

Preschool- Duplo sized Lego blocks

1st grade - heavy duty electric pencil sharpener, pull down white screen for projection, cord manager

2nd grade - Staples gift card

5th grade -Staples gift card

6th grade - 6 individual dry erase boards, dry erase pens and erasers

Technology department - used flat screen monitors 19 inch or larger, micro computer mouse for preschool

P.E. - Polyspots (circular rubber mats)

Please consider a cash donation to put toward any of the above "wishes"! Thank you for your generosity!

- The parish and school are working together and holding a 50/50 drawing after every mass for the month of October. The drawing will be held after mass on Saturday, October 29th. The school and the parish will split the proceeds. Please consider volunteering just a few minutes after mass and help sell the tickets. Contact Carol Brown to sign up!

We are DESPERATELY looking for volunteers to help support and chair the Alumni, Recruitment and Retention Committees! These committees are crucial to helping the school financially and to continue the success of Saint Columba School. If you are interested in helping in any capacity please contact Sandy Freeman at sandyfreeman@yahoo.com, Susan LaRouche at stclarouche@msn.com or the school office.

Thanks to those you have volunteered already!!

HSA meetings will be held the first Wednesday of every month. Please mark your calendar so you can join us at our next meeting on November 2nd. We are looking forward to knocking the wall down! If you are not familiar with "the wall" join us!!

Sincerely,
The HSA Executive Committee